



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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Agricultural Marketing Service

TITLE: Export Certificate Request Forms

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0581-NEW

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Agricultural Marketing Service, Dairy Grading Branch, dairy grading program is a voluntary user fee program authorized under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621). The regulations governing inspection and grading services of manufactured or processed dairy products are contained in 7 CFR part 58. International markets are increasing for U.S. dairy products. Forms will provide a format for exporters to provide information to the Dairy Grading Branch on consignments they wish to export so that the Dairy Grading Branch can issue the proper health certificate with the information required by the importing country.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: Importing countries are requiring certification as to production methods and sources of raw ingredients for dairy products. The information required on the sanitary certificates varies from country to country requiring specific forms for each country. Such information includes, but not limited to, identity of the importer and exporter; consignment specifics and border entry point at the country of destination. Information gathered from the applicants is transferred to the proper health certificate, certified by the proper authority and returned to the exporter. The collection of the information on the forms is necessary for the Dairy Grading Branch to be able to properly complete the required export certificate.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Business or other for-profit

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 250

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: Each time a product is exported.

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TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 4,129

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